

Project Title Penquis Community Action Program

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AFI Grant Amount \$35,000 Nonfederal Support \$35,000

**Project Period** September 2001 – September 2006

**Highlights** Penquis Community Action Program is offering 20 IDAs

for homeownership, microenterprise, and post-secondary education. The match rate is \$2 to \$1, up to \$2,000 in participant savings over 36 months. In addition to core

training, services include employment support,

transportation, childcare, medical, crisis management,

counseling, and credit repair.

**Target Population** State of Maine.

**Grantee/Collaborative Description** Penquis Community Action Program is a Community

Action Agency and is partnering with eight other CAAs around the state in this multi-agency model. Peoples Heritage is holding the project reserve account. Participant IDAs are being held in multiple banks, including Bangor Savings Bank, Franklin Savings Bank,

Peoples Heritage Bank, Sanford Savings, Camden

National Bank, and First Citizen's Bank.